

PENSACOLA has a Depth of 33 Feet of Water in the Channel at the Entrance of the Harbor.

## SOCIETY EVENTS OF THE WEEK

The March Gatherning, under the auspices of a number of friends, on Saturday night last, was a most successful and enjoyable affair. The refreshments were excellent and a most delightful time was passed.

The Ladies' Euchre club met at the home of Mrs. Alfred H. Smith, on Monday night. Mrs. Max L. B. won first prize, a silver cigarette case. Mrs. Max L. B. won second prize, a silver cigarette case. Mrs. Max L. B. won third prize, a silver cigarette case.

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Invitations are out for the wedding of Mr. Max L. Kahn to Miss Gertrude Felsenthal of Louisville, Ky., on April 18th. Many of the prospective groom's relatives will leave here Saturday week to attend the celebration of the nuptials.

It can make mention of but few social gatherings as the usual festivities gave way to the solemnities of Holy Week which preceded our annual Easter, when all nature, rich and flower seems to join in general rejoicing over the Savior's resurrection.

In Jewish circles the Passover is this time also celebrated, the service commencing last evening at Temple Beth El and will continue during the coming week.

### Brave Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all the results in loss of appetite, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. Listen to J. W. Gardner, Idaville, Ind. He says: "Electric Bitters kept me from running down and don't care whether I live or die. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents at W. A. D'Alemberte's drug store. Every bottle guaranteed.

Reichheim Fishel Clothing is equal in every respect to made-to-order garments. See the new Spring arrivals at White's.

### Close of Passion Week

The close of Passion Week is being celebrated with great solemnity at the Roman Catholic and Episcopal churches of the city, in which large congregations assemble at every service.

At St. Michael's church, the zealous pastor and his assistant are aided in their arduous labors by the young Father Abbot of the Benedictines of Cullman, Ala. Last night, he delivered an impressive sermon on an attentive congregation.

He has a wonderfully robust, resonant voice, which, with a deliberate and telling delivery, cannot but be effective. His sermon was an appeal to sinners through Christ's great sacrifice. He will assist at the communion this afternoon.

An elaborate program has been prepared for to-morrow's great festival at St. Michael's. As usual, the music will be well rendered. Leonard's Third Mass will be sung at the High Mass. Splendid instrumental music will be a special feature of the Mass. Miss Heine, the noted violinist, and her pupils, are to render the organ to voices and organ. The choirs among Pensacola's best musicians are expected to witness the celebration of this Mass.

Reverend Father McCaffry will preside at the sermon. His subject will be "The Church and the Bible," and he extends a cordial invitation to all Catholics to be present.

### An Old Medicine for La Grippe

Dr. W. W. Wait, of South Gardner, N. Y., says: "I have had the worst cold, cough and grip and have been unable to do any work for a week. I have tried all the latest remedies, but nothing has done me any good. I have tried your old medicine, and it has cured me. I can now do my work and feel like a new man." For sale by H. A. Ross, and all medicine dealers.

Get your Easter Pretzels, something new, at PFEIFFER'S STEAM BAKERY.

### TELEGRAPHERS' STRIKE

Progress of the Trouble on the Southern System.

ATLANTA, April 14.—The situation in the telegraph operators' strike on the Southern Railway shows improvement. Early this morning freight was beginning to move. Reports of officials here in nearly every branch of the service show a better condition.

At Flowery Branch the new operators were run out of town by the citizens. At Corona, Ala., Dispatcher Cox of Columbus, Miss., was roughly handled and escorted out of the place.

CHARLOTTE, April 14.—General Passenger Agent Turk states that the strike in no way affected the movement of traffic, as less than ten per cent of the operators had left their places. No apprehension as to the movement of traffic need be felt; unofficial reports to the contrary should be disregarded.

### Another Strike.

CROTON, N. Y., April 14.—A strike among the employees at the Croton dam is threatening serious consequences. Last night was made ridiculous by women carrying clubs and marching to the music of drums and trumpets. The men hold possession of the works and swear they will not give in until their demands are met. One hundred additional deputies arrived this morning and the sheriff has gone after the militia. The strikers attempted to cut the bridge cable this morning, whereupon the deputies made a lively charge in which two of them were wounded. At noon the strike took a more alarming shape. The strikers heard the military coming and shouted defiance at the deputies. Many displayed sticks of dynamite and yelled, "This for soldiers!"

### PARIS EXPOSITION.

Opening Ceremonies With the Public Excluded.

PARIS, April 14.—The exposition was opened formally to-day. The inauguration ceremonies were strictly reserved. Invited guests numbered 14,000, but no provision was made for the press, and exhibitors' tickets were disregarded.

The American section is nearer ready than any other, but the exposition can be nothing more than a series of museums until after May, as the motive power will not be ready.

### American Tarts in Rome.

LONDON, April 14.—A dispatch from Rome says that the Pope recently received eighty American sailors in the Sistine chapel, who, after His Holiness had retired, sang "Dixie" with great vigor. This extraordinary demonstration somewhat scandalized the people who were present.

Rev. John Reid, Jr., of Great Falls, Mont., recommended Ely's Cream Balm to me. I can emphasize his statement, "It is a positive cure for catarrh if used as directed."—Rev. Francis W. Poole, Pastor Central Pres. Church, Helena, Mont.

After using Ely's Cream Balm six weeks I believe myself cured of catarrh. Joseph Stewart, Grand Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

The Balm does not irritate or cause sneezing. Sold by druggists at 50 cts., or mailed by Ely Brothers, 55 Warren St., New York.

Our mission is to cloth men and boys, from head to foot—White's.

### Pensacola-Selma Excursion.

We are requested by Judge B. S. Liddon, chairman of the finance committee of the committee of arrangements for the Selma excursion, expected here on the 24th inst., to state that the committee has endeavored to canvass the city thoroughly for the fund to entertain our Selma visitors. Unfortunately, they have found quite a number of parties who they think desire to subscribe to the fund away from their places of business at the time they called. And while they have desired to be as thorough as possible in their canvass of the city, they have perhaps omitted to call upon some one who would gladly have subscribed to this laudable purpose. Any person desiring to subscribe can do so by handing the money to any member of the committee.

Each subscription of \$5 entitles the subscriber to a ticket on the bay excursion in honor of our guests on the 25th, and all other festivities incident to their visit to Pensacola.

The members of the committee are: B. S. Liddon, Wm. Fisher, C. J. Zeck, A. Greenhut, John White, W. J. Forbes and Louis Friedman.

New spring arrivals in Silk Neckwear, at White's.

You will get those celebrated Easter Pretzels next Saturday and Sunday at PFEIFFER'S STEAM BAKERY.

We aim to have all goods on sale thoroughly reliable, because there is such a thing as maintaining the grade all along the line, and no matter how low an article may be priced at this store you can rely on its quality at all times. We keep only what we can recommend, and we trustworthy. When we tell you the merits of a purchase you can rely on the assurance. White's.

## ELECT SENATORS BY VOTE OF THE PEOPLE

Resolution Passes the House by Large Majority.

### OFFERED AS SUBSTITUTE

Majority Resolution Left It Optional With States Whether Senators Were Elected by Direct Vote—Private Bill Day in House.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—This was private pension bill day in the house, but before the regular order was called for the house voted on the joint resolutions under discussion when the house adjourned yesterday for a constitutional amendment to provide for the election of United States senators by a direct vote of the people. The majority resolution left it optional with the states whether their senators should be elected directly.

The minority resolution made it incumbent that every state elect by direct vote.

The minority resolution, which was offered as a substitute, was voted on first and was carried by an overwhelming vote—ayes 135; noes 30.

Mr. Corlies tried unavailingly to get an aye and no vote but only nine members seconded the demand.

The vote was then taken on the adoption of the amendment by ayes and noes, the whole house rising in support of the demand.

The resolution was adopted 140 to 15. The negative votes were cast by Messrs. Allen of Maine, Burleigh of Maine, Calderhead of Kansas, Fordney of Michigan, Gardner of New Jersey, Hodge of Iowa, Henry of Connecticut, Lane of Iowa, Lester of Georgia, Littlefield of Maine, McPherson of Iowa, Mann of Illinois, Russell of Connecticut, Sperry of Connecticut and Thomas of Louisiana.

Mr. Hepburn of Iowa asked unanimous consent to set aside May 1 for the consideration of the Nicaragua canal bill.

"I object," shouted Mr. Burton of Ohio objectually.

The house then proceeded with the regular order, the consideration of private pension bills.

### PROTEST AGAINST WAR TAX.

Business Men Will Appear Before Congress and Urge Its Repeal.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—Serious consideration is to be given by Republican members of the committee on ways and means to the question of reduction of the war revenue taxes. Delegations of druggists, brewers and other manufacturers will submit arguments showing why the tax should be reduced.

After these hearings the committee will take up the question of tax reduction. There is little doubt of the repeal of all the proprietary stamp taxes and some of the most objectionable documentary taxes. It is not probable that there will be any reduction in the beer taxes.

Get our prices before buying Ice Cream Freezers, Hammocks, Refrigerators, Lawn Mowers and Garden Hose. The Forbes Store.

### Little Folks' Minstrel Company.

The following is the program of this company. The performance takes place Wednesday, April 18th, at 8 p. m., sharp. Tickets, 25 cents, to both adults and children, for sale at Coe's book store, Clutter's music house, or by the children. There will be twenty-four little Pensacola girls in the company, all in full minstrel costumes. The management pledge the best entertainment ever given in this city by children. Mr. Julius Menko directs and manages them. Florence Heinberg and Lillie Jacoby, two of Pensacola's promising young musicians, will play all the musical accompaniments.

### PROGRAM:

Orchestra—Chorus—Selected First Part—Chorus—By the Company Ending in a Military Tableau: "Pensacola and Prosperity." Little Jacoby, Lazar Kahn, Lamb—Sassafraz, Snowball, Evergreen, Dusenberry.

Bones—Hetzaline, Tommie, Black Maria, Luke Salley.

### INTERLUCE.

Miss Johanna—Florence Rosenau—Comic song—Now I Got Some Money I'm Comin' 'Round—Miss Hetzaline.

Con song—The Lady with the Ragtime Walk—Miss Sassafraz.

Ballet—Miss Snowball.

Comic song—The Luckiest Con in Town—Miss Evergreen.

Comic song—My Hannah Lady—Miss Tommie.

Ballet—When Mamma Puts the Little Ones to Bed—Gertrude Friedman.

Comic song—Miss Fallowfoot—Alabama Con.

Duet—Misses Dusenberry and Luke Salley.

Chorus—By the Company.

Second Part—The Eight Pensacola Girls—Soldiers, Don Drill and March, Dannebier.

Skit dance—Our Little Stars—A Hot Combination—Bert and C. Leman, Lillian Jacoby.

Smoky Moons—Specialty—Hetzaline, Sassafraz.

Honorary dance—Sadie Houtman.

Intermission—By Miss Black Maria.

Tambourine Dance, Irma Rosenau, Ethel Freeman.

Song and jig—Dusenberry.

The evening's entertainment to conclude with a red hot prize cake walk.

Hetzaline—Sassafraz.

Evergreen—Tommie.

Snowball—Blackey Sue.

Black Maria—Blackey Sue.

After the performance there will be an informal dance for the children.

### GROSS RAILWAY EARNINGS.

Nearly All Roads Show Increases For Month of March.

NEW YORK, April 13.—Though not showing as heavy proportionate gain in March as in February gross railway earnings for the former month make an excellent showing and one, too, which has not been monopolized by any one class of roads but is, apparently, well distributed throughout all sections of the country.

The aggregate earnings of 108 systems operating nearly 102,000 miles of track were \$55,560,758, a gain of 12.5 per cent over March a year ago and following successive gains in the same month for many years past. Of the 108 systems reporting for the month of March only a small percent showed decreases, the tendency to increases being most marked in the Great Lakes, the central, western and southern roads. The northwestern roads furnish a number of small losses.

The total earnings of the 108 systems for the first three months aggregate \$153,165,598, a gain of 16.26 per cent over the same period a year ago. In every group but one the increase reported by the southwestern roads the gains amount up to such increases as 18 per cent by the Pacific and coal roads and 19.4 per cent by the central, western and southern roads.

### MRS. GRADDICK ON TRIAL.

She Is Charged With Poisoning Her Husband in February.

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 13.—The trial of Mrs. Belle Graddick for poisoning her husband, William J. Graddick, a merchant of this city, on Feb. 13 last, has begun. Mrs. Graddick was placed in the dock and pleaded not guilty. She is a blonde, but not a pronounced type, a large woman, good looking and demure. She is about 35 years old.

Mrs. Graddick is accused of poisoning her husband, not in a fit of anger, but deliberately after several attempts, and yet the woman's appearance suggests nothing criminal. In the courtroom she was surrounded by her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. William Kval, aged, poor and respectable. Mrs. Graddick's little child, Walter, a tot of 4 years, played in her lap.

There was something strangely unnatural in the girl's appearance. Her brown hair falls over a forehead on which there is not a line of care. In her eyes there is a restlessness of motion, but not the gleam of a virago or the affected listlessness of one practiced in deception. She took a keen interest in all that was happening, but seemed neither worried nor frightened.

### CHINESE EVADE THE LAW.

Over 10,000 Have Landed at San Francisco in Four Months.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 13.—Thousands of Chinese are passing the barriers of the customhouse and not only are being landed, but are being made native born citizens of California, each with a vote and qualifications to participate in the political affairs of this city and state.

It is asserted that during the past three or four months over 10,000 Chinese have been landed, and of these about 100 a month have been admitted on the ground that they were born in this state, which fact being admitted, entitles them to the rights of citizenship. Charges are made that this influx of orientals is only made possible by fraudulent evasions of the restriction act.

### BENSON'S HALLUCINATIONS.

Imagines He Is Dreyfus and Is Pursued by His Enemies.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., April 13.—Michael Benson has developed a case of insanity and labors under the hallucination that he is Captain Dreyfus. The fellow was formerly employed on the Vanderbilt estate at Baltimore. He thinks that his enemies are pursuing him all the time and that they have succeeded in charging him with electricity and avoids all street car rails and all objects which he thinks might conduct an electric current. Benson, while under this hallucination, endeavored to gain an entrance to the Baltimore house and swam the Swannanoa river, thus securing an entrance to the estate.

### Philadelphia Museum's Display.

CHATTANOOGA, April 13.—The Philadelphia museum will have a good display at the southern industrial convention in this city. E. A. Green, representative of the museum, is here arranging for the display, embracing all the goods that can be manufactured in the south for foreign markets. It will be the first display the Philadelphia museum has made in the south and will be made to explain and practically illustrate the foreign trade demands, especially in the Orient.

## Spring Fever.

During the winter, extra work is thrown upon the various organs of the body. Spring makes this manifest. The appetite becomes poor, sleep restless, bowels constipated; sometimes there is dyspepsia, liver or kidney troubles. Life seems not worth living. This is the time to take Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. It is better than any other spring tonic in the world. It refreshes, strengthens, rebuilds, a Private Revenue Stamp covers the neck of the bottle.

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## PENNSYLVANIA AND BALTIMORE AND OHIO

Reported That These Roads Have Entered Combine.

### BIG DEAL IS ANNOUNCED

Will Absorb Philadelphia and Reading, New Jersey Central and Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern—Gives Control Pennsylvania Coal Fields.

BALTIMORE, April 13.—Conferences held in this city and Philadelphia in the last few days by high officials of the Pennsylvania, Baltimore and Ohio and other railroad companies have given rise to a report here, which has been partially confirmed, of a big deal by which the Pennsylvania and the Baltimore and Ohio companies are about to absorb the Philadelphia and Reading and the New Jersey Central. The plan is said to be for the Baltimore and Ohio and Pennsylvania to acquire the properties and divide them among their systems, the Baltimore and Ohio taking the Philadelphia and Reading division extending from Philadelphia to Bound Brook, N. J., and one or two important branches and the New Jersey Central division extending from Bound Brook to New York. The Pennsylvania will acquire the remaining divisions.

This scheme would give the Baltimore and Ohio an unbroken line of its own from New York to St. Louis and Louisville by way of Cincinnati, and would secure to the Pennsylvania absolute control of the Anthracite coal tonnage of the Scranton, Wilkesbarre and Mauch Chunk districts of Pennsylvania, which are not dominated by the New Jersey Central.

Men in financial circles here say that, notwithstanding the reticence and even denials of Baltimore and Ohio officials, the deal is assured, and is in line with the movement of the Pennsylvania and Baltimore and Ohio companies for the merging of their interests.

President Bacon and Vice President Greene of the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern have had a conference with the Baltimore and Ohio officials regarding the transfer of the Southwestern to the control of the Baltimore and Ohio. It is said all difficulties have been removed and the consolidation of the Baltimore and Ohio will be effected, giving absolute control of its lines to Cincinnati and St. Louis.

### Dead at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, April 13.—A vice president of the Pennsylvania Railroad company today characterized as untrue a report from Baltimore that the Pennsylvania and Baltimore and Ohio companies had agreed to acquire the Philadelphia and Reading Railway company and Central Railroad of New Jersey. He said that the question of the Baltimore and Ohio running its trains over the Pennsylvania road to Jersey City had not been broached or discussed.

### TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box, 25c.

Remember the date, Wednesday evening, April 18th, at 8 o'clock. The Little Folks' minstrel play at Clutter's music hall. Admission 25 cents; tickets on sale at Coe's and Clutter's.

### DENIES THE RESPONSIBILITY.

Nicaraguan Government Has Sent No Expedition Against Costa Rica.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—Nicaragua has disavowed to the United States that she organized and dispatched to David the expedition which has aroused so much concern in Colombia and Costa Rica. Señor Corea, the Nicaraguan minister here, says that if any such expedition landed at Bogota, or Beira Brava, Colombia, it was of a filibustering character and must have escaped the due diligence observed by his government.

### La Grippé Successfully Treated.

"I have just recovered from the second attack of la grippe this year," says Mr. Jas. A. Jones, publisher of the Leader, Mexico, Texas. "In the latter case I used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and I think with considerable success, only being laid a little over two days, against ten days for the former attack. The second attack I am satisfied would have been equally as bad as the first but for the use of this remedy as I had to go to bed in about six hours after being 'stuck' with it, while in the first case I was able to attend to business about two days before getting 'down.' For sale by H. A. Ross, and all medicine dealers.

### SEE ROSS & CO.

### ABOUT SCREENS.

Crossett's Young America \$3 shoes for young men, the best shoe in the world for the price, at White's.

### The Celebrated Singer.

J. M. Clutter's Music House has secured the agency for the Wonderful Singer Piano. They have just received a shipment of these pianos from the factory, and are the finest instruments ever put on the market at the prices they will be sold at; these prices range from \$250 to \$375. They are all in double veneered cases, extra handsome polish. Each is warranted for five years and are constructed of the very best material.

Please call in and see them if you are anticipating buying a piano in the near future, for they are certainly beautiful. As this is the initial shipment, we will make extra special inducements to the buyers of this first shipment.

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